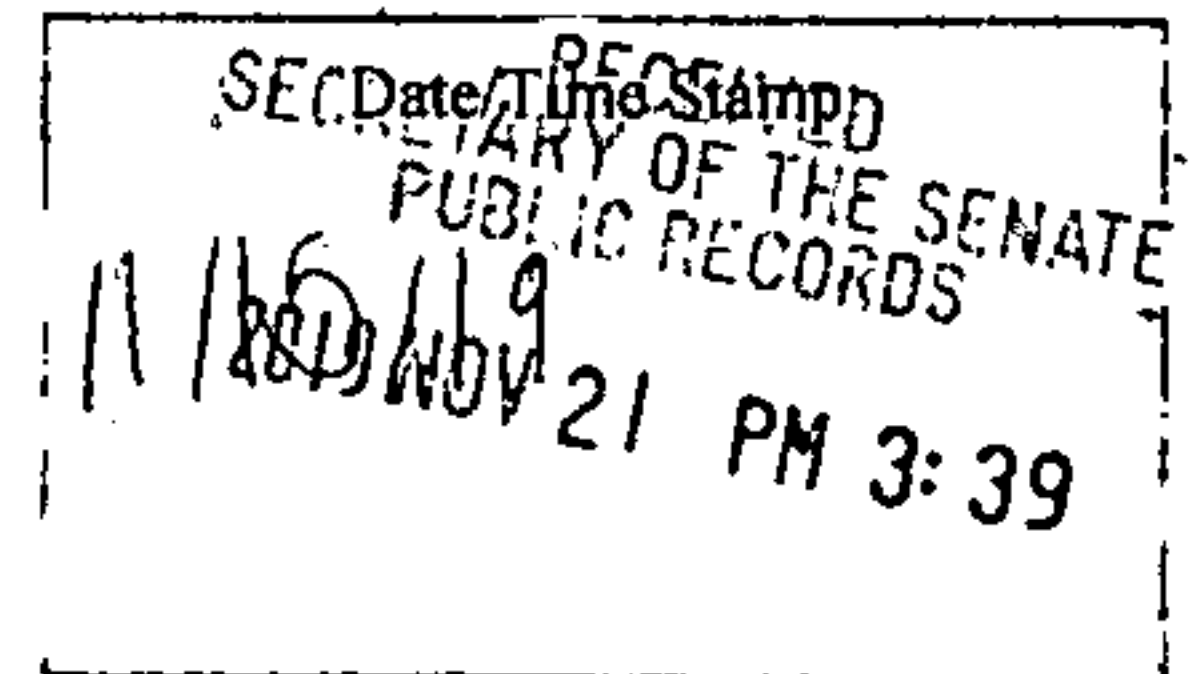


# Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses



**Post-Travel Filing Instructions:** Complete this form within 30 days of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the **Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building.**

In compliance with Rule 35.2(a) and (c), I make the following disclosures with respect to travel expenses that have been or will be reimbursed/paid for me. I also certify that I have attached:

- ☐ The **original** *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* (Form RE-1), **AND**
- ☐ A **copy** of the *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form* with all attachments (itinerary, invitee list, etc.)

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): The Aspen Institute

Travel date(s): August 16-18, 2019

Name of accompanying family member (if any): N/A

Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

IF THE COST OF LODGING DID NOT INCREASE DUE TO THE ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY INCLUDE LODGING COSTS IN EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

## Expenses for Employee:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate				
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

## Expenses for Accompanying Spouse or Dependent Child (if applicable):

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate				
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

Provide a description of all meetings and events attended. See Senate Rule 35.2(c)(6). (Attach additional pages if necessary.):

There was a recreational events, but most of the time was spent having discussions. I've attached a sheet

11/15/19  
(Date)

Alexandria Smith  
(Printed name of traveler)

[Signature]  
(Signature of traveler)

## TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER:

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

11/15/19  
(Date)

[Signature]  
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

### Events/Meetings

1. We started the seminar off by having dinner and two speakers discuss on "Responsible Governance and Your Role in Congress" A conversation between Colleen Shogan, Assistant Deputy Librarian for Collections and Services at the Library of Congress, and Cordell Carter, Socrates Program Director.
2. Our next meeting was seminar session I: "The Evolution of Congress: How Did We Get Here?"
3. Following that was our next meeting, seminar session II: "Congress and Its Governance Challenges River."
4. Later on we did a biking Tour of Wye River Campus.
5. There was a dinner later on.
6. After that we did a casual fireside chat and s'mores
7. Finally, we did a third seminar session on Congressional Reform

## PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should **NOT** submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee **MUST** also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

1. Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): The Aspen Institute Inc. (Socrates Program) ("AISP")
2. Description of the trip: The AISP is sponsoring a Socrates seminar to discuss leadership, responsible governance and the role of Congress.
3. Dates of travel: August 16-18, 2019
4. Place of travel: Queenstown, Maryland
5. Name and title of Senate invitees: See attached.
6. I *certify* that the trip fits one of the following categories:  
☒ (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal **and** do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal **and** no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.  
**= OR =**  
☐ (B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (*see question 9*).
7. ☒ I *certify* that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.  
**= AND =**  
☒ I *certify* that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
8. I *certify* that:  
☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for *de minimis* lobbyist involvement.  
**= AND =**  
☒ The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (*see question 9*).

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☐ (A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *on any segment* of the trip.

**OR**

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**OR**

1. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 1997; 278: 1039-1044.

If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel:

12. Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:

**Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission:**

**Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips:**

The Aspen Institute has a nearly forty year history of conducting non-partisan educational congressional trips; the Socrates Program, specifically, also has conducted congressional trips.



15. Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips):

The Aspen Institute organizes numerous educational activities, including briefings, roundtables, forums and conferences for a diverse range of attendees including federal and state policymakers, business and organization leaders, members of the press and the general public. (See attached Appendix.)

16. Total Expenses for Each Participant:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith estimate  <input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts	\$78 for bus	\$236 for two nights (\$118 per night)	\$142	\$141 for conference room fees (includes meeting facilities, set up/take down, cleaning)

17. State whether a) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation or b) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:

B) The trip involves an event that is organized specifically with regard to congressional participation.

18. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip

The conference center is close to Washington, DC, which provides for ease of travel for participants and moderator(s).

19. Name and location of hotel or other lodging facility:

Wye River Conference Center, 600 Aspen Dr, Queenstown, MD 21658

20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility:

The conference center has sufficient meeting space and lodging to support off-the-record, non-partisan exchanges of ideas and professional learning. The Aspen Institute owns the Wye River Conference Center property.

21. Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:

Lodging expenses equal the per diem rate.

Meals expenses are less than the per diem rate.

22. Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:

Rount-trip transportation will be provided by chartered, coach-class bus between Washington D.C. and the conference center.

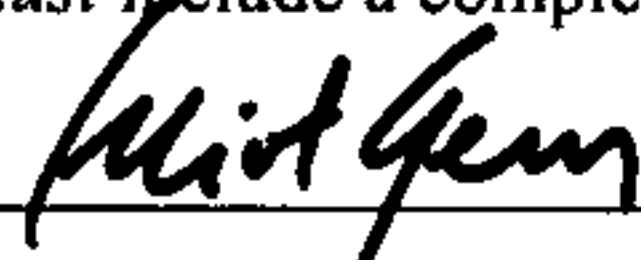
23. ☒ I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).

24. List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:

None

25. I hereby *certify* that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (For trips involving more than one sponsor, you *must* include a completed signature page for each additional sponsor):

Signature of Travel Sponsor:



Name and Title: Elliot Gerson, Executive Vice President, Policy & Public Program

Name of Organization: The Aspen Institute

Address: 2300 N Street NW, Washington DC 20037

Telephone Number: 202-736-5859

Fax Number: 202-467-0790

E-mail Address: lisa.jones@aspeninstitute.org



**Date/Time Stamp:**

**Pre-Travel Filing Instructions:** Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the **Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220**. Incomplete and late travel submissions will not be considered or approved. This form must be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at [ethics.senate.gov](http://ethics.senate.gov). Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

Name of Traveler: Alexandria Smith

Employing Office/Committee: \_\_\_\_\_ Senator Tim Scott

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): Aspen Institute Socrates Program

Travel date(s): 08/16/19-08/18/19

*Note: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you must notify the Committee.*

Destination(s): Queenstown, MD

**Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties:**

Name of accompanying family member (if any): N/A

Relationship to Employee: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Employee)

**TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING SENATOR/OFFICER (President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms, Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain):**

I, Tim Scott hereby authorize Alexandria Smith  
(Print Senator's/Officer's Name) (Print Traveler's Name)

an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for private gain.

I have also determined that the attendance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box) ☐ 1 2

*(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)*